STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia, graduated from high school at the age of 15, and in 1964, at 35 years old, became the youngest person to win the Nobel Peace Prize; and

WHEREAS; Dr. King dedicated his life and used his oratorical and leadership skills for the peaceful fight for freedom, equality, justice, and civil rights; and

WHEREAS; the determined and unselfish work of Dr. King, and those who united with him, to further individual rights and human dignity, has become an inspiration to persons of all social, religious, racial, and ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS; the Federal Holiday Commission urges all of us to remember the life, career, and dreams of Dr. King and to celebrate the holiday; and

WHEREAS; this is the oldest official state ceremony honoring Dr. King and the 37th year that the state of Wisconsin has held a commemoration in Dr. King's honor in the true spirit of goodwill and community by living the dream and serving the causes of equality, peace, justice, and freedom, and this year's theme is "The Journey Ahead;"

> NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Monday, January 16, 2017, as

THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 9th day of January 2017.

> SCOTT WALKER **GOVERNOR**

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State